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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: ENRG, CA

SUBJ: CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WANTS TO TALK ON GAS PIPELINE

- 1. YESTERDAY, AUGUST 5, CABINET INSTRUCTED PRIVY COUNCIL SECRETARY PITFIELD AND TRADUEAN'S CHIEF POLITICAL ADVISOR COUTTS TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH ME ON THE GAS PIPELINE ISSUE.
- 2. GOC, PITFIELD AND COUTTS TELL ME, WILL WISH TO EXPLORE PROCESS, TIMING AND SUBSTANTIVE OPTIONS.
- 3. I ARRANGED TO MEET PITFIELD AND COUTTS FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON AUGUST 9 AND 10.
- 4. COMMENT: THIS IS THE OPENING WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR. GOC HAS FINALLY FOCUSED ON THE TIMETABLE AND URGENCY OF U.S. DECISION. IT IS ALSO BECOMING INCREASINGLY ATTRACTED BY THE ALCAN OPTION, AND WILL WANT TO EXPLORE THAT IN DETAIL. ENDERS

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